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Via Electronic Filing

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Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

**RE: Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges (See Commission Order No. 2020-313)
Docket No. 2020-125-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd,

Please find attached for filing a letter from AARP South Carolina director Teresa Arnold concerning the desirability of a delayed implementation of any rate increase that the commission might approve in this docket.

This issue is both relevant and timely raised. While testifying on January 6, 2021, DESC CEO P. Rodney Blevins formally introduced the possibility of a phased-in rate increase into this docket for the first time. Further, as the commission is aware, scores of DESC customers have testified as recently as January 7, 2021 to the hardship that they would suffer should rates be increased during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you advance for your consideration.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



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